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#### HIGHER EDUCATION

(Constitutional Amendment) Provides relative to appropriations for certain higher education institutions.

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This proposed constitutional amendment states that in any fiscal year in which a community college begins holding classes in a parish and for three years thereafter, no institution of higher education located in the same parish or in a parish contiguous to such parish shall receive less than the appropriations from the state general fund for that institution in FY 1998-1999 or in the year immediately prior to the year in which the community college begins holding classes in a parish, whichever is greater.

# **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

| EXPENDITURES      | <u> 1999-00</u> | 2000-01    | 2001-02    | 2002-03    | 2003-04    | <b>5 YEAR TOTAL</b> |
|-------------------|-----------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------------|
| State General Fd. | SEE BELOW       | SEE BELOW  | SEE BELOW  | SEE BELOW  | SEE BELOW  |                     |
| Agy. Self-Gen.    | \$0             | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0                 |
| Stat. Deds./Other | \$0             | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0                 |
| Federal Funds     | \$0             | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0                 |
| Local Funds       | <u>\$0</u>      | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$ 0</u>         |
| Annual Total      |                 |            |            |            |            |                     |
| REVENUES          | 1999-00         | 2000-01    | 2001-02    | 2002-03    | 2003-04    | 5 YEAR TOTAL        |
| State General Fd. | \$0             | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0                 |
| Agy. Self-Gen.    | \$0             | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0                 |
| Stat. Deds./Other | \$0             | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0                 |
| Federal Funds     | \$0             | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0                 |
| Local Funds       | <u>\$0</u>      | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$ 0</u>         |
| Annual Total      | \$ 0            | \$0        | \$ 0       | \$0        | \$0        | \$0                 |

# **EXPLANATION OF ESTIMATES:**

### **EXPENDITURES:**

This proposed constitutional amendment extends the provision related to transitional funding for institutions of higher education to require that funding for such institutions shall be no less than that appropriated from the State General Fund for the particular institution in FY 98-99 or in the year immediately prior to the year in which a community college begins holding classes in the parish (or contiguous parish) until the third year after the year in which such classes begin. The effect of the amendment would be to require such appropriations for impacted institutions from available State General Fund revenues except in any fiscal year in which State General Fund revenues are less than revenues in FY 98-99, as determined by the Revenue Estimating Conference.

The fiscal effect of this bill, by extending the provision related to transitional funding for higher education institutions, is indeterminable due to the fact that currently no implementation plan exists for the opening of community colleges. In the event that these new colleges draw a significant portion of the enrollment away from a currently established school, there will be an increase in expenditures. If these new schools only serve students that would not have gone to a previously established schools, then there will be no fiscal impact from this bill. Until an implementation plan is adopted, it is impossible to estimate the fiscal impact of this bill.

The legislation provides that no public institution of higher learning protected from a reduction in its appropriation shall have an implementation level greater than 100% of the formula promulgated by the Board of Regents.

### REVENUES

There is no anticipated direct effect on revenues as a result of this measure.

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| □ 13.5.1      | >= \$500,000 Fiscal Cost per year       | 6.8(F) >= \$500,000 Fiscal Cost per year |                |
| □ 13.5.2      | >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Change per year | 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase  |                |
|               |                                         | or a Net Fee Decrease per year           | STAFF DIRECTOR |